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Bahnbedarf A.G. Since September 1948

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1. The following equipment has been purchased by the Soviet-controlled Bahnbedarf A.G. since September 1948: Two lathes from Donaukraftwerk; one grinding machine from the non-USIA firm Hummel; two milling machines from the USIA firm at Gusen; hand tools purchased locally from USIA and non-USIA sources. The total value of this equipment is approximately 94,000 schillings. Except for the grinding machine and some of the hand tools, all this equipment is used machinery. Bahnbedarf is now attempting to purchase two five-ton cranes from the former German Army armored school at Neusiedl.
2. The Soviet Military Bank granted Bahnbedarf a loan to pay for the above equipment. The bank did not request any collateral. However, it stipulated that the equipment be used for current production. The loan has been repaid. Payment for the equipment was made through the Military Bank and not directly to the firms which supplied the machinery.

Comment: The Military Bank did not request any collateral, because the Bahnbedarf A.G. is considered Soviet property and the Soviets can, at any time, remove these investments, which they regard as their property, although the cost of the equipment was paid for out of current production profits.)

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